













STORY OF MADAGASCAR.

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OR,  
THE ROUT OF THE ENEMY

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It contained three men, and, all at once, they gentlemen by birth, and each of them possessing in dignity his own law, and each of them writing tablet. Of these, more anon.

A short passage led through a glass door to another room beyond. This was a small room, but it was of infinitely greater importance, being, in fact, the private study of the Governor. It was furnished in consequence inevitably with certain mysterious solemnity, not uncommon to the study of a young man, both common and selected, but sat without.

To Be Continued.

### QUEER NOTION OF BEAUTY.

It is curious to note the queer ideas of beauty which characterize different nations. In Fiji the native women paint their faces with red and white stripes as an ornament. The women of Greenland cover their faces with blue and yellow, while Arabian beauties stain their lips blue and their cheeks red.

The people of the poet and novelists of the Eastern and Polynesian nations. In Macassar the women paint their teeth red and yellow, in such a way that a red tooth follows a yellow one, and alternately. The teeth of the Tongquines are as black as art can make them. The dying occupies three or four days, when it is done to both boys and girls, when they are about twelve years of age.

During the whole operation, they never take any nourishment, for fear of being poisoned by the pigment if they swallowed what required mastication. Every person, high and low, rich and poor, is obliged to undergo this somewhat objectionable operation, and at times it may be said to be as disgraceful to human nature as the use of white like those of dogs or elephants.

In Japan fashion compels married women to stain their teeth, not, however, as an ornament, but to make them more ugly and save them from temptation.

Islanders sometimes blacken all the teeth but two with burned coconut, covering the two excepted with thin plates of gold or silver. In some parts of the world, instead of employing their old women to dress up the teeth of the youths and maidens, the teeth of the girls and women are filed to a point. The canines, teeth of the body of the tooth, made concave, or they will notch the edge of the teeth with a file, as an additional means of beautifying.

This mutilation of the teeth is observed by many of the savage or uncivilized nations in all parts of the world. In the Malay Archipelago the natives file their teeth into points like those of saws or pierce them with holes as large as the eye of a needle. In Macassar people sometimes pull out two front teeth, in order to supply their place with teeth of pure gold or silver. Some of the tribes, but much of their front teeth, on the ground that they do not wish to look like beasts. In the Upper Nile four front teeth are always worn, and in some places only the two upper incisors are dispensed with.

In some parts of the world, the shape of the head is of great importance. Many American Indians admire a head so much flattened as to appear to be a disc. The natives of the north-west coast of America have a pointed cone, while the inhabitants of Arakhan admire a broad, smooth forehead, and a large ear produce it may be faster, and a plate laid on the head of the new born children.

In some countries the feminine headgear is of a singular and grotesque shape. The Chinese carries over her head the figure of a bird, which is composed of copper or gold, according to the rank of the woman. The Chinese women carry on their heads a thin board, about a foot long and six inches broad. With this they cover their faces with a net of hair.

With the Tahitians to be called "long nose" is considered an insult, and they compress the noses and foreheads of their persons in various fashions. The same custom is prevalent among the Malays and the natives of Brazil. In some parts of the world the nose is pierced with rings in various fashions, and other ornaments, being inserted in the holes.

The ancient Egyptians and Assyrians used to paint their noses and lips much wider; the Arabians of the present day go a step further in the use of paint. They endeavor to produce the impression of a wide nose by drawing a line in the middle of the nose and meet there.

Persons women paint a black line round their eyes and around their faces. The Indians of Paraguay eradicate their eyebrows and eyelashes, saying that they are much of the same color.

In China and neighbouring countries the finger nails are allowed to grow to a monstrous length as a symbol of nobility, and are carefully protected them. In some parts of Africa yellow or purple nails are considered fashions, and the women endeavor to tinge their nails with a blue color.

### HE WENT THE DAY.

An Irishman was foreman of a jury who had to try a man for murder. Word was sent to him that he would be paid £200 if he persuaded the jury to find a verdict of manslaughter.

The verdict was given, and the friends of the prisoner came and readily paid the money.

"Have you any more trouble in getting that verdict?" asked.

"Faith no," I had an awful struggle, but I was so sure of my man that the jury wanted to acquit him, but, forso, I wouldn't give way.

### PREFERRING LIFE.

There are at present several old convicts in the prison of this colony, who, though their time has long expired, live on there. They give as a reason for their remaining that they knew in the old country many people who were as good as dead, so they prefer to remain where so much of their life has been spent. The old fellows are now going into town, but must be kept in the

### MAKING PIG PORK.

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### How Russia Should Prepare For the Su-

premise battle.

The St. Petersburg "Grashdanin" recently published an article in which it asked whether Russia would not be acting wisely in renouncing the possession of Port Arthur and Tallien-wan. This renunciation would have the following effects: — Firstly, to give her a free hand; secondly, to rid her of harbors where, in the event of war with Great Britain, her ships would be liable to capture; and, thirdly, to spare her the cost of enormous defences. By occupying herself chiefly with affairs in Northern China, especially that part of China which borders on Russia's own possessions, and with the railway in Manchuria, Russia would be sending signal to the British, even in the case of China. Russia could then proceed," says the journal, "to develop her territory in the direction of Aigun, and, sooner or later, herself for the suppression of which she must inevitably have, prove or later, with Great Britain, profiting at the expense of the other power, entered her forces in all directions — an error by which she will have weakened herself in India. It is absolutely necessary for Russia to be engaged in a pre-emptive battle on land, and not on sea, encountering her adversary simultaneously in the north of China and at the gates of the Red Sea. Russia must reject all notion of an eventual rapprochement with Great Britain, the inveterate enemy of Russia, from whom she must keep at a distance, and which it advocates, on the contrary, an alliance with Germany, in which

The sands of Margate are indirectly responsible for this Father-mother.

and family were about to be photographed by one of the itinerant beach fliers, when one of the olive branches was tossed away, with mother's hand tied fast. The chase waxed long, for the urchin was blessed with sturdy legs, and mother's skirts impeded her. At length even father, who was indulgent to a fault at holiday time, lost patience, or perhaps he was reminded by the photographer that he had to pay and entail an expenditure of extra coppers. Urry up with the nipper, Maria! Ere's the bloke availing with the chemical

up with the nipper, Marial 'Ere's the























In person, Albert Trichet was small and thin, he had dark hair, and small, cunning-looking eyes, his skin was brown and wrinkled, and he cultivated a small black moustache, carefully waxed up at the ends, and a still smaller black tuft upon his chin, which

"I don't see that there is any breach of confidence where one has not been

had not the engine of the train which you and he were both in run the line, and so precipitated the ref to a doom more awful than any at the law could have brought upon n. This is what happened in it" and as Matthew Dang ended his ation he bent his eyes steadily

IN THE WEATHER BUREAU.

The youthful prophet was plainly mortified. He had just been appointed and his first prediction had not been fulfilled.

The reason we didn't have that storm, he explained earnestly—Hush! interrupted his aged superior. In this business we never stop to apologize.

Gerard felt a cold chill steal over him. Yet what could he expect? There was a woman of the world, and her emotions must necessarily be of a transient nature—here to-day and gone to-morrow. He thrust the closed envelope she gave him savagely into his breast-pocket, and did not open it until the following morning. He certainly had no reason to complain of want of generosity as he fingered the notes, which

But Mrs. Gerard was sublimely indifferent to praise or blame. When more than usually venomous remarks reached her ears, she glanced at her handsome husband and delivered herself of the following aphorism: "To the discoverer belongs the benefit of his discovery. If I discovered your genius you discovered my heart. I put it to the world which was the greater."

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